

## **INTRODUCTION**

The Hearing and Speech Examining Board licenses and regulates Hearing Instrument Specialists, Speech-Language Pathologist, and Audiologists. The Hearing and Speech Examining Board is composed of members of the profession and public members who are appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate. There is one advisory council under the Hearing and Speech Examining Board consisting of Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology.

The Department of Regulation and Licensing is an umbrella agency providing administrative service to various professional boards. Within the department, the Bureau of Health Professions provides administrative services to the Hearing and Speech Examining Board. Questions about board business may be directed to the examining board in care of the Bureau of Health Professions, 1400 East Washington Avenue, PO Box 8935, Madison, WI 53708.

This book contains statutes and rules relevant to the regulation and practice of hearing instrument specialists, speech-language pathologists and audiologists. To assist in using these materials, a subject index is included at the end of the book. Only a limited number of statutes and rules are included in this book.

The development of the law in this area is on going. Therefore, these rules and statutes may be revised subsequent to the printing of this book. Most local libraries maintain current sets of the Wisconsin Administrative Code and the Wisconsin Statutes. These documents, as well as other state publications, are available from the Department of Administration, Document Sales Division, PO Box 7840, Madison, WI 53707-7840.

All Wisconsin Statutes and Administrative Codes are available on the Internet at the following addresses:

Statutes: <http://www.legis.state.wi.us/rsb/statutes.html>  
Rules: <http://www.legis.state.wi.us/rsb/code/codtoc.html>